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# QUARTERLY SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

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## QUARTERLY SUMMARY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIAN STATISTICS.

Quarter ended 30th September, 1940.

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## 1.—POPULATION AND MIGRATION.

Period.	Population at end of period.			Natural Increase	Migration—Increase + Decrease —		
	Males.	Females	Total.		Oversea.	Inter- state.	Total.
Year ended—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st December, 1932	290,254	289,039	579,293	3,564	—363	— 987	—1,350
1933	291,722	290,955	582,677	3,996	+ 7	— 619	— 612
1934	292,519	291,775	584,294	3,056	— 32	—1,407	—1,439
1935	293,650	292,793	586,443	3,107	—131	— 827	— 958
1936	294,807	294,505	589,312	3,447	+242	— 820	— 578
1937	295,611	295,590	591,201	3,738	— 7	—1,842	—1,849
1938	297,549	297,560	595,109	3,871	+346	— 309	+ 37
1939	298,217	298,828	597,045	3,879	+424	—2,367	—1,943
Mar. Quarter, 1939	297,687	297,689	595,376	1,097	+ 2	— 832	— 830
1940	298,242	299,145	597,387	1,200	+123	— 981	— 858
June Quarter, 1939	297,890	297,880	595,770	1,072	— 91	— 587	— 678
1940	297,758	299,215	596,973	979	+104	—1,497	—1,393

Metropolitan Population, 31st December, 1939, 322,988, or 54 per cent. of State.

## 2.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

Period.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Infantile Deaths.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year, 1931.....	9,079	4,888	3,069	330
1932.....	8,521	4,957	3,636	312
1933.....	8,900	4,904	3,973	286
1934.....	8,459	5,403	4,310	301
1935.....	8,270	5,163	4,845	289
1936.....	8,911	5,464	5,182	277
1937.....	8,985	5,247	5,340	297
1938.....	9,410	5,539	5,489	287
1939.....	9,618	5,739	5,670	336
July, 1939.....	738	579	398	23
1940.....	878	570	672	34
August, 1939.....	867	601	353	44
1940.....	864	525	676	34
September, 1939.....	876	505	553	36
1940.....	829	531	576	33
September Quarter, 1939.....	2,481	1,685	1,304	103
1940.....	2,571	1,626	1,924	101
January-September, 1939.....	7,388	4,423	3,979	257
1940.....	7,513	4,389	5,092	279

## 3.—RAINFALL.

Period.	Over Agricultural Areas, 1940.							State 35 Years' Mean.	Adelaide.	
	Central.	Lower North	Upper North	South- East.	West- ern.	Murray Mallee.	State.		1940.	101 Years' Mean.
	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.
January .....	1.09	1.50	.77	1.47	1.43	.72	1.21	.53	1.20	.75
February .....	.37	.25	.15	.42	.30	.26	.30	.75	.38	.74
March .....	.52	.33	.04	.48	.71	.28	.47	.72	.59	1.02
April .....	2.39	1.50	.75	2.79	1.31	2.30	1.74	.93	2.79	1.75
May .....	1.12	.87	.46	1.33	1.40	.59	1.06	1.72	1.19	2.71
June .....	.89	.35	.07	1.35	.48	.32	.56	2.09	.71	3.07
July .....	2.80	1.22	.64	3.64	2.06	1.01	1.95	1.92	3.20	2.61
August .....	1.21	.88	.47	.95	.51	.56	.71	2.01	1.47	2.56
September ....	1.17	.78	.54	1.35	.67	1.08	.88	1.64	1.34	2.06
October .....	.71	.33	.34	1.01	.67	.53	.62	1.28	.51	1.71
	April to October.								Jan.-Oct.	
1940.....	10.29	5.93	3.27	12.42	7.10	6.39	7.52	—	13.38	18.98
1939.....	13.90	10.28	8.24	18.26	9.95	6.98	11.00	—	19.43	—
Mean, 35 years.	14.82	11.17	7.89	17.96	10.21	9.44	11.59	11.59	—	—

## 4.—EMPLOYMENT—MONTHLY INDEX FIGURES.

(Base July, 1933 = 100.)

	July.			August.			September.		
	1938.	1939.	1940.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1938.	1939.	1940.
State Government (a)	113	118	112	113	118	114	114	119	115
Commonwealth									
Government ... (a)	122	128	135	122	128	136	124	131	136
Local Government (a)	107	131	100	107	132	96	107	127	94
Public Bodies ... (a)	112	112	109	111	118	114	114	117	119
Banks ..... (a)	110	114	122	110	114	122	110	114	123
Life Assurance ... (a)	128	126	131	128	127	132	127	128	132
General Insurance (b)	121	132	137	122	132	136	123	132	136
Retailers ..... (b)	114	110	110	112	109	110	118	112	111
Merchants (Wool,									
Wheat, etc.) ... (b)	131	130	137	133	132	138	149	134	152
Factories ..... (b)	156	156	170	156	160	174	157	155	177

(a) Complete. (b) Returns received from representative firms only.

## 5.—UNEMPLOYMENT AND FACTORIES EMPLOYMENT.

Particulars.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent. ....	22.0	13.6	9.4	7.3	9.4	8.8
Labour Exchange Registrations end June .....No.	13,111	10,970	8,033	7,739	8,574	5,978
Employment in Factories Index No. (a) .....	104	120	127	138	136	139
	July.		August.		September.	
	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent. ....	—	—	9.4	6.6	—	—
Labour Exchange Registrations end month .....No.	8,656	6,521	8,859	6,797	8,824	5,028
Employment in Factories, Index No. (a) .....	133	143	135	148	131	150

(a) Base, 1929-30 = 100.

## 6.—STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Period.	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Land and Income Tax.	Other Taxation.	Railways.	Total (including Other).	Public Debt (a)	Railways (b)	Unemployed Relief.	Total (including Other).
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Year, 1931-32 .....	1,919	1,157	2,760	10,482	5,439	2,061	853	11,545
1932-33 .....	1,561	1,172	2,771	10,161	5,346	2,023	632	11,170
1933-34 .....	1,648	1,261	2,609	10,188	5,203	2,065	542	11,032
1934-35 .....	1,825	1,399	2,649	11,002	4,982	2,147	490	10,965
1935-36 .....	1,789	1,415	2,851	11,409	4,934	2,324	415	11,260
1936-37 .....	1,978	1,563	3,000	11,739	4,976	2,471	375	11,600
1937-38 .....	2,358	1,564	3,293	12,461	5,061	2,765	319	12,334
1938-39 .....	2,424	1,692	3,165	12,304	5,096	2,851	304	12,701
1939-40 .....	2,679	1,884	3,145	12,756	5,247	2,844	336	12,918
July, 1939 .....	54	103	230	761	734	203	24	1,257
1940 .....	65	104	213	699	725	220	16	1,262
Aug., 1939 .....	68	88	222	710	250	238	32	907
1940 .....	72	112	345	932	281	219	31	901
Sept., 1939 .....	79	99	253	739	378	214	31	979
1940 .....	93	114	290	832	375	208	20	955
Sept., Quarter, 1939 ....	201	290	706	2,210	1,362	655	87	3,143
1940 ....	230	330	848	2,463	1,381	647	67	3,118

(a) Interest, Exchange and Sinking Fund.

(b) Includes Pensions for annual figures, but not for monthly and quarterly.



## 7.—PUBLIC DEBT—STATE.

Date.	Public Debt.	Trust Funds, Bank Balances, etc.	Total Indebtedness.	Per Head.
	£	£	£	£ s. d.
30th June, 1932.....	101,599,232	1,519,244	103,118,476	178 7 9
1933.....	103,707,332	1,378,540	105,085,872	180 17 9
1934.....	105,419,280	1,262,812	106,682,092	182 18 1
1935.....	105,349,536	1,008,703	106,358,239	181 17 4
1936.....	105,698,481	1,833,739	107,532,220	183 2 0
1937.....	106,594,164	2,131,201	108,725,365	184 13 11
1938.....	107,450,640	1,944,607	109,395,247	184 14 0
1939.....	108,887,092	1,420,158	110,307,250	185 3 0
1940.....	109,344,040	1,365,283	110,709,323	185 8 10
30th Sept., 1939 .....	109,189,100	1,376,501	110,565,601	185 3 4
1940 .....	109,334,840	939,382	110,274,222	184 14 5

NOTE.—During the year ended 30th June, 1935, the amount of £804,988 was written off the Public Debt, being portion of Soldier Settlement Debt taken over by the Commonwealth.

## 8. TRADING BANKS (ex. State and Commonwealth Banks).

Period.	Deposits.					Advances.	Advances to Deposits.
	Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Total.		
	£	%	£	%	£	£	%
June Quarter							
1932 .....	16,939,770	77-63	4,881,337	22-37	21,821,107	17,913,525	82-09
1933 .....	17,314,999	77-64	4,987,061	22-36	22,302,060	18,608,501	83-44
1934 .....	17,785,796	76-10	5,586,432	23-90	23,372,228	18,625,748	79-69
1935 .....	17,173,844	74-21	5,967,563	25-79	23,141,407	19,595,659	84-68
1936 .....	17,012,925	72-60	6,421,975	27-40	23,434,900	19,240,000	82-10
1937 .....	18,079,031	71-51	7,204,074	28-49	25,283,105	18,443,318	72-95
1938 .....	18,559,625	73-47	6,701,860	26-53	25,261,485	19,306,744	76-43
1939 .....	18,845,522	74-18	6,558,821	25-82	25,404,343	19,808,154	77-97
1940 .....	19,286,074	71-71	7,606,718	28-29	26,892,792	17,911,061	66-60
Sept. Quarter							
1939 .....	18,959,016	75-58	6,126,288	24-42	25,085,304	19,762,451	78-79
1940 .....	18,975,118	71-94	7,402,165	28-06	26,377,283	17,631,898	66-85

NOTE.—State and Commonwealth Banks, September Quarter, 1940. Advances, £2,721,383; Deposits, Bearing Interest, £1,966,274, Not Bearing Interest, £1,907,098; Total £3,873,372.

## 9. SAVINGS BANKS AND BANK CLEARINGS.

Period.	Savings Banks (State and Commonwealth).			Bank Clearings.	
	Accounts Open.	Deposits.	Per Head.	Total.	Weekly Average.
	No.	£	£ s. d.	£	£
1931-32 .....	572,051	21,566,825	37 6 2	100,419,134	1,919,426
1932-33 .....	584,004	22,515,288	38 15 1	108,566,658	2,079,464
1933-34 .....	595,524	23,437,505	40 3 8	115,558,007	2,214,061
1934-35 .....	607,724	24,184,988	41 7 1	124,254,209	2,385,660
1935-36 .....	622,609	25,308,586	43 1 10	136,851,967	2,592,203
1936-37 .....	645,313	26,505,941	45 0 6	151,281,047	2,900,357
1937-38 .....	657,814	27,243,654	45 19 11	158,944,202	3,039,755
1938-39 .....	669,685	27,397,028	45 19 9	153,932,144	2,952,870
1939-40 .....	677,685	26,563,287	44 8 5	167,988,303	3,219,186
July, 1939.....	670,785	27,275,003	45 15 7	11,042,476	2,708,394
1940.....	677,726	26,421,434	44 5 2	15,077,131	3,419,875
August, 1939 .....	671,616	27,236,167	45 12 3	11,139,157	2,420,202
1940 .....	678,566	26,626,603	44 12 1	13,454,840	2,992,764
Sept., 1939.....	670,771	27,086,354	45 7 3	12,395,343	2,823,296
1940.....	679,401	26,804,065	44 18 0	13,201,858	3,150,708

## 10. OVERSEA TRADE (DIRECT).

Period.	Exports.		Imports.	Excess Exports.
	£ Aus.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
1931-32 .....	12,264,227	9,772,000	2,821,538	6,950,462
1932-33 .....	12,802,189	10,242,000	3,760,324	6,481,676
1933-34 .....	12,718,325	10,175,000	3,679,412	6,495,588
1934-35 .....	11,834,784	9,468,000	3,965,808	5,502,192
1935-36 .....	15,381,124	12,305,000	5,419,960	6,885,040
1936-37 .....	16,748,140	13,399,000	5,438,429	7,960,571
1937-38 .....	19,057,243	15,246,000	7,473,802	7,772,198
1938-39 .....	14,841,507	11,873,000	5,851,043	6,021,957
July-April, 1938-39 .....	13,074,056	10,459,000	4,854,923	5,604,077
1939-40 .....	11,890,218	9,512,000	5,693,556	3,818,444

NOTE.—Publication of Trade Statistics since suspended.

# 11.—OVERSEA EXPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Unit.	Year.				July-March.	
		1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Quantities—							
Barley .....	bush.	3,360,946	2,312,332	4,390,374	2,248,212	1,732,502	748,134
Flour .....	ton	60,137	58,590	68,231	86,678	63,885	59,079
Wheat .....	bush.	22,669,070	16,770,810	28,805,592	18,486,303	15,407,166	7,216,719
Butter .....	lb.	7,953,012	7,291,690	8,809,153	7,385,564	6,141,640	8,411,809
Cheese .....	lb.	3,898,651	7,289,309	10,109,467	12,907,683	11,090,920	13,763,100
Eggs in shell .....	doz.	3,456,050	2,745,480	1,225,550	1,395,540	1,395,240	1,395,660
Lamb .....	carcases	342,177	420,374	376,893	667,248	666,324	687,823
Wool ( <i>a</i> ) .....	lb.	75,847,402	70,875,617	68,008,006	87,272,802	71,628,812	59,810,385
Currants and raisins ..	lb.	27,504,426	25,108,567	38,507,866	42,692,777	16,723,395	7,123,045
Wine .....	gall.	3,427,516	3,679,365	3,478,450	3,440,509	2,915,384	2,670,260
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	cwt.	3,749,405	2,393,740	3,171,943	4,077,760	2,889,577	2,035,271
Lead .....	cwt.	2,131,846	1,796,399	2,057,624	1,994,054	1,641,441	1,273,469
Values (Australian Currency)—							
Barley .....	£	353,533	432,079	746,661	279,311	218,883	88,804
Flour .....	£	422,899	558,675	617,446	498,396	374,708	379,018
Wheat .....	£	4,087,227	4,386,206	6,306,741	2,532,065	2,077,953	950,407
Butter .....	£	400,509	395,448	496,326	413,471	322,946	464,494
Cheese .....	£	80,851	166,122	294,136	372,776	321,875	409,149
Eggs in shell .....	£	165,892	140,542	68,441	75,915	75,894	72,329
Lamb .....	£	288,017	352,575	367,078	682,682	681,973	712,973
Wool .....	£	3,780,550	4,071,953	3,267,842	3,461,417	2,859,747	2,962,018
Currants and raisins ..	£	512,714	459,518	730,550	787,524	312,598	138,060
Wine .....	£	870,710	955,033	857,291	919,983	784,317	696,988
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	£	531,685	737,060	684,856	553,410	432,379	355,944
Lead .....	£	1,759,672	2,080,903	1,992,168	1,846,630	1,535,546	1,280,425

(a) Including scoured converted to greasy.

# 12. OVERSEA IMPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Year.				July-March.	
	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1938-39.	1939-40.
(British Currency.)						
Apparel and attire .....	£ 61,419	£ 62,758	£ 78,970	£ 74,326	£ 61,056	£ 49,376
Bags and sacks .....	312,623	315,346	300,072	274,076	239,516	434,064
Fertilizers—Rock phosphates	129,773	129,015	131,000	138,981	94,833	88,300
Iron and steel .....	433,653	350,041	794,299	311,174	271,827	95,328
Machines and machinery ..	601,041	730,242	1,111,567	912,006	757,302	552,504
Motor bodies, chassis, etc. ..	375,010	373,703	515,185	354,923	272,870	248,698
Petrol, etc.....	417,979	421,437	562,893	495,219	379,969	610,284
Kerosene .....	68,194	62,706	124,132	66,751	48,480	81,780
Other oils in bulk .....	180,426	165,611	249,986	245,930	148,325	258,003
Paper .....	195,972	269,392	224,787	234,798	163,253	230,786
Stationery, books, etc.....	111,022	109,701	131,959	147,968	96,909	194,990
Tea .....	111,940	121,758	113,900	108,425	82,556	124,040
Textiles, piecegoods, etc. ...	610,588	612,363	733,714	600,050	477,792	516,474
Timber .....	274,150	175,886	526,309	294,297	207,644	229,542

## 13.—RAILWAYS (SUMMARY).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses. a.	Train Miles Run.	Passengers Carried.	Goods and Livestock.	Passenger Mileage.
	£	£	No.	No.	Tons.	1,000m.
Year 1931-32..	2,757,123	1,921,744	4,914,265	15,608,384	2,430,226	166,409
1932-33..	2,744,741	1,894,477	4,909,588	16,074,121	2,401,070	172,106
1933-34..	2,570,837	1,937,913	4,930,271	16,325,004	2,154,639	175,559
1934-35..	2,669,470	2,023,918	5,080,319	16,660,213	2,346,736	177,655
1935-36..	2,890,710	2,193,457	5,462,146	17,430,674	2,481,568	189,061
1936-37..	3,021,662	2,331,334	5,606,353	17,776,629	2,400,423	205,329
1937-38..	3,299,084	2,612,562	6,111,121	17,632,125	2,897,351	200,144
1938-39..	3,133,373	2,675,299	6,177,407	17,528,651	2,661,168	212,982
1939-40..	3,183,562	2,679,622	5,928,416	17,641,766	2,700,163	220,037
June, 1939 ....	273,401	229,200	490,950	1,621,248	192,132	21,257
1940 ....	310,012	210,382	472,908	1,751,390	266,302	23,814
July, 1939 ....	229,931	203,523	483,453	1,374,482	170,157	13,280
1940 ....	213,070	221,407	520,549	1,393,225	286,232	15,248
Aug., 1939 ....	222,418	237,230	510,526	1,187,558	192,022	16,340
1940 ....	344,890	216,800	495,280	1,405,883	243,916	19,204
July-August, 1939 .....	452,349	440,753	993,979	2,562,040	362,179	29,620
1940 .....	557,960	438,207	1,015,829	2,799,108	530,148	34,452

a Excluding pensions and capital charges.

## 14.—RAILWAYS (TON-MILEAGES).

Period.	Gross Ton Mileage.					Net Ton Mileage (Revenue).
	Passenger.	Freight.	Mixed.	Departmental.	Total.	
Year—	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.
1931-32 .....	262,756	681,354	25,997	15,482	985,589	287,654
1932-33 .....	276,764	685,430	24,585	22,429	1,009,208	283,604
1933-34 .....	292,016	677,057	21,649	19,034	1,009,756	265,720
1934-35 .....	313,338	713,036	22,416	15,638	1,064,428	281,109
1935-36 .....	355,657	800,899	20,404	17,599	1,194,559	312,839
1936-37 .....	405,689	823,513	24,132	25,112	1,278,446	314,515
1937-38 .....	421,956	950,375	27,297	33,909	1,433,537	365,066
1938-39 .....	421,187	951,051	25,840	31,844	1,429,922	348,614
1939-40 .....	411,719	876,011	57,412	28,742	1,373,884	336,980
June, 1939 ....	32,822	69,833	2,223	3,059	107,937	25,363
1940 ....	30,560	70,664	5,904	3,846	110,974	31,676
July, 1939 ....	32,342	67,148	1,951	1,887	103,328	24,066
1940 ....	31,248	82,523	7,051	2,719	123,541	33,357
Aug., 1939 ....	32,625	75,331	2,199	1,715	111,870	27,893
1940 ....	32,069	76,077	9,427	3,181	120,754	30,997
July-August, 1939 .....	64,967	142,479	4,150	3,602	215,198	51,959
1940 .....	63,317	158,600	16,478	5,900	244,295	64,354



# 15.—TRAMWAYS (DAILY AVERAGES).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Passenger Journeys.	Tram Miles.	Elec- tricity.
	£	No.	No.	A.C. Units.
Year ended July, 1932.....	1,802	132,424	20,054	69,928
1933.....	1,762	131,929	20,203	71,926
1934.....	1,720	128,820	20,224	71,751
1935.....	1,752	131,830	20,404	72,298
1936.....	1,841	138,317	21,705	76,201
1937.....	1,916	142,689	22,087	77,209
1938.....	1,897	141,572	22,716	81,081
1939.....	1,948	144,948	23,869	87,084
1940.....	1,996	150,064	24,252	88,755
25th June to 31st July, 1939 .....	1,797	132,974	23,690	87,986
23rd June to 31st July, 1940 .....	1,977	144,774	23,989	94,952
1st August to 2nd September, 1939....	1,844	138,228	24,319	90,190
1st August to 31st August, 1940 .....	2,063	151,532	24,489	96,946
3rd September to 30th September, 1939	2,064	154,777	24,427	89,088

# 16.—MOTOR REGISTRATIONS.

Period.	Cars.		Commercial Vehicles.		Cycles.	
	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
New Vehicles—						
July .....	348	115	154	63	52	25
August .....	403	103	145	72	54	28
September .....	302	174	139	74	44	22
September Quarter.....	1,053	392	438	209	150	75
January-September ....	3,634	2,271	1,451	918	558	312
Second-hand Vehicles—						
July .....	955	828	450	339	359	415
August .....	1,113	823	571	341	395	489
September .....	819	1,038	355	352	361	505
September Quarter.....	2,887	2,689	1,376	1,032	1,115	1,409
January-September ....	9,825	8,843	4,019	3,439	3,741	3,927
Renewals—						
September Quarter.....	7,495	9,321	3,096	3,864	1,604	1,823
January-September ....	47,420	49,739	19,364	19,376	7,439	7,552
Cancellations—						
September Quarter.....	2,479	2,075	952	694	690	724
January-September ....	8,716	7,060	2,837	2,298	2,401	2,168
Expirations—						
September Quarter.....	8,042	10,835	3,437	4,505	2,208	2,635
January-September ....	54,803	57,136	21,907	23,303	10,360	10,442

## 17.—MOTORS, TELEPHONES, WIRELESS.

Period.	Motor Vehicles in use (a).				Telephone Connections.		Wireless Licences.	
	Cars.	Commercial Vehicles.	Cycles.	Total.	New.	Existing (a).	New.	Existing (a).
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year ended Dec., 1931 ..	45,140	12,139	10,045	67,324	2,869	49,276	10,186	32,075
1932 ..	46,558	12,638	9,736	68,932	3,100	48,608	15,646	43,268
1933 ..	46,413	14,197	10,455	71,065	3,605	48,528	17,903	55,639
1934 ..	48,939	17,267	10,470	76,676	4,882	49,802	21,911	72,337
1935 ..	49,496	17,157	10,741	77,394	5,048	51,516	17,407	81,629
1936 ..	53,728	19,415	11,110	84,253	5,501	53,875	19,867	93,881
1937 ..	56,101	21,728	11,802	88,631	5,727	56,517	20,293	105,045
1938 ..	60,537	24,985	10,213	95,735	6,095	58,960	20,568	115,571
1939 ..	59,345	25,740	9,492	94,577	5,449	61,565	16,460	120,584
July, 1939 .....	57,491	24,659	9,210	91,360	452	60,601	1,626	118,158
1940 .....	56,003	23,866	8,715	88,581	439	62,826	2,023	126,337
August, 1939 .....	57,675	24,979	9,151	91,805	505	60,788	1,594	118,263
1940 .....	55,733	23,869	8,704	88,306	550	62,923	1,573	126,034
September, 1939 .....	57,897	25,075	9,190	92,162	432	60,982	1,645	119,098
1940 .....	56,002	23,872	8,773	88,647	593	63,161	1,398	126,315

(a) At end of period stated.

## 18.—PRICES (MEAN) ADELAIDE WHOLESALE.

Period.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Hay.	Bullocks.	Merino Wethers	Lambs.
	Bush.	Bush.	Bush.	Tons.	Prime.	Prime.	Prime.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
July, 1939 .....	1 10	1 11 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 11 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 2 0	11 6 3	20 6	17 9
1940 .....	a	a	1 10	2 9 0	12 13 0	25 3	22 0
August, 1939 .....	1 8 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 10 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 0 0	11 13 0	21 0	16 6
1940 .....	a	a	1 11	2 10 0	14 10 0	24 0	18 3
September, 1935 .....	3 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 7 6	11 12 6	22 6	18 9
1936 .....	4 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 9 6	10 5 0	32 6	22 6
1937 .....	4 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 13 6	12 6 0	30 9	25 0
1938 .....	2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 19 0	15 10 0	20 6	20 9
1939 .....	2 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	2 0 0	10 16 3	22 6	16 9
1940 .....	a	a	2 2	2 18 9	13 5 0	20 3	18 9

a No quotations.

## 19.—WOOL SALES.

Period.	Greasy and Scoured.		Amount Realized.	Price per Lb. Greasy.	In Store end Period.
	Bales.	Lb.	£	d.	Bales.
Year, 1931-32 .....	197,954	64,158,321	1,847,946	6·88	14,065
1932-33 .....	262,058	84,832,832	2,604,950	7·32	4,212
1933-34 .....	245,311	76,580,369	4,479,165	13·96	20,045
1934-35 .....	272,724	86,383,700	2,959,314	8·14	4,815
1935-36 .....	263,280	83,102,553	4,151,115	11·92	5,029
1936-37 .....	257,300	80,350,616	4,601,851	13·66	4,040
1937-38 .....	273,056	85,165,647	4,018,205	11·28	13,913
1938-39 .....	325,854	100,982,688	3,842,380	9·10	7,192

From 1939-40, Wool sales were cancelled owing to purchase of wool by British Government.

## 20.—PRICES—RETAIL ADELAIDE.

Period.	Bread, 2lb.	Flour, 2lb.	Tea, lb.	Milk, Quart.	Butter (Fac- tory), lb.	Eggs, Doz.	Potatoes 7lb.	Beef Ribs, lb.	Mutton Leg, lb.
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
July, 1939 .....	5·50	4·55	27·85	5·85	19·00	17·70	14·29	7·95	7·65
1940 .....	5·50	4·50	27·90	5·85	19·05	15·90	12·14	8·25	8·20
August, 1939 .....	5·50	4·55	27·85	5·85	19·00	13·15	16·29	7·55	7·40
1940 .....	5·50	4·55	27·90	5·85	19·05	15·20	12·29	8·20	8·15
September, 1935 ...	4·90	a43·80	27·40	5·70	16·55	11·10	b23·38	6·05	6·75
1936 ...	5·00	a43·45	27·40	5·65	17·20	12·90	b18·31	6·40	7·85
1937 ...	5·50	4·70	27·75	5·95	18·20	14·30	5·68	7·00	8·10
1938 ...	4·50	3·05	27·85	5·85	18·55	15·00	12·21	8·50	8·25
1939 ...	5·50	4·60	27·85	5·85	19·00	11·30	17·64	7·55	7·40
1940 ...	5·50	4·55	28·80	5·85	19·05	13·25	13·21	8·20	7·80

a For 25lb. b For 14lb.

## 21.—PRICE INDEX FIGURES (ADELAIDE).

Base. Six capitals 1923-1927 = 1,000.

Item.	July.		August.		September.	
	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.
Food and groceries .....	889	900	882	904	893	900
	Year.				September. Quarter.	
	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.	1939.	1940.
Food and groceries .....	798	826	861	897	888	901
Housing (four and five rooms) .....	795	832	868	888	890	—
Food, groceries, and housing.....	796	826	862	891	887	—
All items (a) .....	839	859	888	906	903	939

(a) "All items"; food, groceries, housing (four and five rooms), clothing, and miscellaneous expenditure.

## 22.—BUILDING PERMITS (METROPOLITAN AREA).

Period.	Dwellings. (a)		Other Buildings.		Additions.	Total Value (Ex. Govt.)	Value (Govt.)
	No.	£	No.	£	£	£	£
Year, 1931.....	45	28,952	48	163,334	107,938	300,224	23,000
1932.....	110	91,508	65	72,294	125,780	289,582	98,909
1933.....	203	166,862	69	195,686	179,273	541,821	144,000
1934.....	385	321,202	102	266,061	221,369	808,632	44,161
1935.....	685	616,133	197	416,834	270,190	1,303,157	141,169
1936.....	917	714,923	194	236,522	279,707	1,231,152	351,301
1937.....(a)	1,308	1,039,036	195	430,414	319,963	1,789,413	77,671
1938.....	1,562	1,139,906	196	496,305	395,270	2,031,481	203,650
1939.....	1,537	1,128,933	186	904,480	348,824	2,382,237	163,904
July, 1939.....	104	88,014	14	85,755	32,827	206,596	2,347
1940.....	120	91,716	13	48,929	23,184	163,829	103,400
August, 1939.....	186	125,812	11	14,558	44,125	184,495	4,964
1940.....	174	119,377	11	38,197	39,338	196,912	28,726
September, 1939.....	99	80,215	14	20,027	24,656	124,898	5,846
1940.....	128	101,025	5	9,360	31,996	142,381	116,480
September Quarter, 1939.....	389	294,041	39	120,340	101,608	515,989	13,157
1940.....	422	312,118	29	96,486	94,518	503,122	248,606
January-September, 1939.....	1,182	856,634	163	677,866	293,465	1,827,965	103,631
1940.....	1,296	925,858	71	289,970	239,270	1,455,098	424,090

(a) From 1937 each dwelling unit counted separately.



### 23.—SALES TAX.

Approximate Amount of Sales by Traders Registered under Sales Tax Acts.

Year.	Taxable Goods.				Taxable and Exempt Goods.			
	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Total Year.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Total Year.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1932.....	806	884	881	11,159	1,821	1,951	2,041	26,577
1933.....	800	703	888	10,377	2,150	1,874	2,210	26,197
1934.....	832	691	766	10,014	2,020	1,681	1,978	26,243
1935.....	831	878	886	11,124	2,092	2,154	2,182	28,414
1936.....	911	999	905	11,909	2,489	2,484	2,390	29,901
1937.....	932	862	884	12,587	2,838	2,519	2,592	35,696
1938.....	890	885	960	12,685	2,787	2,622	2,366	36,968
1939.....	889	924	889	12,330	2,548	2,592	2,598	35,562
1940.....	899	887	849	—	3,135	3,013	2,511	—

Numerous commodities were exempted from tax as from 1st September, 1932, 26th October, 1933, 1st August, 1934, 25th October, 1935, 26th September, 1936, and 13th December, 1938. Consequently many traders dealing exclusively in exempt goods ceased to supply returns and the proportion of wholesale trade covered by the records has been progressively reduced. The figures above cannot be compared without allowance for this fact.

### 24.—COMPANIES, MORTGAGES, ETC.

Period.	Companies Registered.		Mortgages Registered—Real Estates.		Land Transferred.
	Companies.	Authorized Capital.	Loans.	Dis-charges.	
	No.	£	£	£	£
Year 1931.....	122	2,067,785	7,764,757	2,249,076	6,355,100
1932.....	115	2,119,500	4,389,999	2,500,727	4,574,025
1933.....	156	2,200,980	4,013,037	2,778,376	4,849,176
1934.....	139	2,335,485	4,060,222	3,769,315	5,708,100
1935.....	150	3,705,132	5,102,905	3,715,313	7,036,500
1936.....	99	1,488,200	5,993,845	4,076,106	8,368,200
1937.....	157	3,939,900	7,044,973	4,798,819	9,773,250
1938.....	139	2,630,225	7,224,649	5,343,113	10,648,900
1939.....	149	3,625,928	5,807,137	4,229,509	8,226,650
July, 1939.....	19	222,500	612,476	503,177	904,500
1940.....	9	94,000	647,673	583,762	847,400
Aug., 1939.....	14	123,000	650,596	438,368	719,600
1940.....	6	22,000	684,043	417,035	553,800
Sept., 1939.....	15	466,000	452,438	338,404	514,100
1940.....	8	21,600	376,867	326,214	583,000
Sept. Quarter, 1939.....	48	811,500	1,715,510	1,279,949	2,138,200
1940.....	23	137,600	1,708,583	1,327,011	1,984,200
January-Sept., 1939.....	118	3,315,378	4,676,261	3,239,457	6,442,100
1940.....	58	438,500	4,771,855	3,509,769	6,172,200

## 25.—BANKRUPTCY (Sequestrations, Deeds, Schemes, Etc.).

Period.		Primary Producers.	Total.	Liabilities.	Assets.	Excess Liabilities.
		No.	No.	£	£	£
Year	1931.....	456	996	1,491,178	1,101,919	389,259
	1932.....	316	654	1,341,620	961,257	380,363
	1933.....	282	570	1,339,435	1,061,860	277,575
	1934.....	373	626	1,484,031	1,017,972	466,059
	1935.....	357	597	1,376,855	753,528	623,327
	1936.....	342	551	1,964,627	1,420,209	544,418
	1937.....	227	468	1,547,794	1,143,739	404,055
	1938.....	245	461	1,526,833	1,070,393	456,440
	1939.....	344	630	1,909,887	1,283,966	625,921
July,	1939 .....	8	39	102,511	70,531	31,980
	1940 .....	8	41	64,450	42,865	21,585
Aug.,	1939 .....	5	30	68,798	44,372	24,426
	1940 .....	3	22	34,452	26,471	7,981
Sept.,	1939.....	6	27	35,620	20,530	15,090
	1940.....	3	22	19,708	10,753	8,955
Sept. Quarter,	1939.....	19	96	206,929	135,433	71,496
	1940.....	14	85	118,610	80,089	38,521
January-Sept.,	1939.....	329	546	1,807,928	1,210,968	596,960
	1940.....	195	379	857,016	685,693	171,323

NOTE.—For 1931 and portion of 1932, liabilities and assets of compositions are not included.

## 26.—BUTTER AND CHEESE PRODUCTION.

Period.	Butter (lb.).			Cheese (lb.).		
	1938.	1939.	1940.	1938.	1939.	1940.
In Factories.						
July.....	1,353,482	1,555,556	1,356,937	1,228,161	1,708,165	1,341,018
August .....	1,704,408	1,933,134	1,801,206	1,601,442	1,979,972	1,778,153
September ....	2,240,513	2,513,517	2,144,558	2,236,240	2,306,822	2,328,949
July-September	5,298,403	6,002,207	5,302,701	5,065,843	5,994,959	5,448,120
Year.						
In Factories ..	18,922,496	17,553,631	19,677,890	15,516,879	18,457,298	20,796,342
On Farms ....	3,505,802	3,162,953	3,095,538	—	300	180
Total ....	22,428,298	20,716,584	22,773,428	15,516,879	18,457,598	20,796,522

## 27.—SLAUGHTERINGS AT METROPOLITAN ABATTOIRS (for home consumption).

Period.	Bullocks.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep.	Lambs.	Pigs.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
July-September, 1939.....	7,438	5,738	11,280	80,912	85,074	7,044
1940.....	7,531	6,247	14,313	87,127	88,433	9,738
January-September, 1939...	20,554	19,832	31,178	245,017	250,290	20,273
1940...	22,647	18,112	33,915	241,903	242,563	23,935
January-December, 1936....	33,280	21,138	45,710	295,910	287,665	43,216
1937....	35,734	24,007	45,635	291,487	285,019	40,183
1938....	30,562	27,136	45,080	306,068	327,543	31,443
1939....	28,216	26,240	42,156	327,660	341,073	29,602

## 28.—ELECTRICITY.

Sales by Adelaide Electric Supply Co., Ltd. (In British Units).

Year Ended August.				Quarter Ended August.	
1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.
64,510,921	74,171,004	86,770,159	101,362,462	33,178,024	35,717,245
1937.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1939.	1940.
117,868,608	130,595,239	139,837,714	149,696,668	38,206,437	40,572,501

## 29.—GAS AND ELECTRICITY OUTPUT.

1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.
Gas (1,000 cubic feet).						
1,120,686	1,066,471	1,082,217	1,090,249	1,119,278	1,154,878	1,181,975
Electricity (1,000 British Units).						
148,348	165,598	176,434	200,488	223,925	240,903	256,282

# 30.—LATEST PRODUCTION STATISTICS AND MISCELLANEOUS DATA NOT ELSEWHERE INCLUDED.

Item.	Unit.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Wheat.....	acres bush. average	2,989,490 31,615,744 10-58	3,058,457 28,714,653 9-39	3,161,739 43,428,423 13-73	3,080,401 31,674,418 10-28	2,734,595 41,071,696 15-02
Barley.....	acres bush. average	393,741 6,493,983 16-49	304,559 4,260,462 13-99	411,288 8,647,043 21-02	457,039 7,541,090 16-50	503,548 9,960,237 19-78
Oats.....	acres bush. average	299,771 2,380,908 7-94	414,723 2,363,806 5-70	332,434 2,960,944 8-91	266,842 2,401,128 9-00	349,018 4,062,541 11-64
Hay.....	acres tons average	566,064 586,658 1-04	539,127 501,003 0-93	562,057 687,312 1-22	519,309 585,554 1-13	531,614 646,075 1-22
Manures used						
Crops ....	tons	147,854	161,654	176,351	179,118	170,111
Pastures ..	tons	26,739	46,399	51,196	56,325	53,583
Cattle .....	No.	335,354	328,013	324,163	318,897	351,013
Horses .....	No.	197,368	200,870	197,334	195,834	190,013
Sheep .....	No.	7,945,745	7,905,112	8,904,402	9,936,586	9,940,570
Pigs .....	No.	93,458	85,048	66,647	71,292	119,660
Sheep Shorn ..	No.	8,091,682	7,940,476	8,654,764	9,942,135	10,132,619
Wool Clip ...	lb.	70,912,985	66,743,386	74,893,269	88,345,467	91,136,064
Wool Prodn. (a)	lb.	81,709,440	76,604,296	86,606,388	102,888,121	105,265,869
Ewes Mated ..	No.	3,408,758	3,519,568	3,662,227	4,202,848	4,436,435
Lambs Marked	No.	2,049,514	2,079,426	2,476,804	3,077,634	3,102,835
Wine—						
Beverage...	gall.	7,745,622	7,434,170	6,928,378	6,045,301	5,287,244
Distillation	gall.	5,277,965	7,592,332	8,960,500	5,101,745	5,792,400
Total ...	gall.	13,023,587	15,026,502	15,888,878	11,147,046	11,079,644
Currants ....	cwt.	117,415	161,858	187,332	191,381	208,930
Raisins .....	cwt.	210,166	227,631	332,178	233,138	299,869
Apples .....	bush.	939,240	841,504	1,275,486	808,020	589,112
Oranges.....	bush.	645,291	654,889	802,255	815,460	754,070
Factories						
Establishments	No.	1,895	1,916	1,980	2,067	—
Hands ...	No.	38,471	40,710	44,084	43,371	644,500
Wages, etc.	£	6,694,151	7,518,239	8,412,975	8,547,462	—
Output ...	£	31,904,091	34,528,176	36,239,937	35,005,264	—
Production						
Value...	£	11,669,705	12,271,563	13,820,155	13,678,930	—
Life Assurance						
New Policies	No.	44,732	48,800	54,205	50,057	48,976
	£	4,579,921	5,395,553	6,255,724	6,035,238	5,716,856

a Including wool on skins.

b Estimated.